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knew where the cases were located, and very kindly offered to take me in his buggy to see them.

We first went to see Louis Dent, colored, aged about 20 years, who was found to be suffering with variola and confined to a loft in barn in rear of house occupied by Mr. Bauckhage at Hyattsville. Dent receives no medical attention, and the cold wind blows through the cracks and knot holes in the barn, endangering the life of the patient.

The only attempt at disinfecting the house of Bauckhage consisted in sprinkling the floors with bichloride and hanging up sheets saturated with same. The inmates have

been vaccinated.

We next went to a house located near the house of Dr. Eversfield, at College Station, and occupied by Sam Barringer, Avery Barringer (both colored), and Liza Gorham, a white woman. Avery was suffering with variola, and, I am informed, had been frequently seen gunning in the woods while the eruption was out on his body. The other two inmates have not had the disease. They have been vaccinated.

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We then drove to the house occupied by Sam Long (colored), located about one-fourth of a mile beyond the college. On the way there we met Sam Long, who was cutting briars and bushes from the side of a public road. The eruption was very pro-

fuse on the face and hands of Sam.

The following inmates are suffering with the disease: Sam Long, about fourteenth day; Laura Long, aged 15; Lizzie Long, aged 20. The other inmates, Mrs. Sarah Long, and Annie Long, aged 9, have not yet contracted it nor have they been vaccinated.

We next visited the house of Jim Johnson, Lakeland, where a case was said to be. Inspection of the inmates, however, failed to reveal any symptoms or signs of the

disease.

This investigation shows a lamentable condition of affairs. The inmates are instructed to remain indoors, but no guard is established to secure compliance with these instructions, and said inmates are free to come and go at will. They are also told that food will be supplied, but as a matter of fact they are dependent on the charity of their neighbors.

In the case of Dent at Hyattsville, the quarantine is effective, as Mr. Bauckhage is undoubtedly doing everything he can to keep Dent from coming in contact with other persons. However, it will be practically impossible to thoroughly disinfect the barn

unless it is burnt.

I am informed that Dr. Lee has been instructed to secure a house for the reception of variola cases. No public vaccination is carried on.

Respectfully,

R. L. LYNCH, M. D.

A case of smallpox in Alexandria, Va.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., November 18, 1900.

SIR: The health officer reports to day 1 case of smallpox.

Respectfully,

ARTHUR SNOWDEN,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U.S. M. H.S.

Smallpox in Harrison County, W. Va.

[Telegram.]

CHARLESTON, W. VA., November 22, 1900.

We have an epidemic of smallpox in Harrison County of this State and it is rapidly spreading. You will confer great favor upon my people and myself if you will send an expert physician at once to Clarksburg to report to Dr. Flowers, member of our State board of health.

G. W. ATKINSON, Governor of West Virginia.

[In compliance with the above request an officer has been ordered to proceed to Clarksburg and confer with the State health authorities.]

New York partially removes quarantine restrictions against Cuban ports.

STATEN ISLAND QUARANTINE, N. Y.

Thanks for information regarding outbreak of plague at Bremen. Quarantine restrictions against Cuban ports removed at this station on